



STATE OF WASHINGTON
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

PAUL STAFFORD
1750 31ST ST
PORT TOWNSEND WA 98368

In Re Compliance with RCW 42.17A

PAUL STAFFORD

Respondent.

PDC Case No. 16-157

Findings of Fact,
Conclusions of Law, and
Order Imposing Fine

On Thursday, August 13, 2015, the Public Disclosure Commission held a brief adjudicative proceeding in Room 206, Evergreen Plaza Building, 711 Capitol Way, Olympia, Washington.

Held in accordance with RCW Chapters 34.05, 42.17A, and WAC Chapter 390-37, the hearing determined whether the respondent violated RCW 42.17A.205 and/or .700 by failing to file the required Candidate Registration (C1) and/or Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F1) within two weeks of declaring candidacy for the 2015 election.

Public Disclosure Commission Chair Katrina Asay was the Presiding Officer. Jacob Berkey, Compliance Coordinator, and Kurt Young, Compliance Officer represented Commission Staff. Having considered the evidence, the Presiding Officer found:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Commission staff mailed a brief enforcement hearing notice to the respondent on July 24, 2015.
- First time candidate with no previous violations of RCW 42.17A.
- C1 filed 8/6/15 and F1 filed 7/31/15 - after the hearing notice.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above facts, as a matter of law, the Presiding Officer concluded:

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1. This matter was duly and properly convened and all jurisdictional, substantive and procedural requirements were satisfied.
2. Violation of RCW 42.17A.205 and 700, which require reports to be filed no later than two weeks after declaring candidacy.

ORDER

On the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$200 in accordance with WAC 390-37-165, of which \$200 is suspended on the following conditions:

Respondent commits no further violations of RCW 42.17A for a period of four years after the date of this Order.

If the Respondent fails to comply with any of these conditions, the suspended portion of the penalty will become immediately due and payable without further action by the Commission.

This is an **Initial Order** of the Public Disclosure Commission.

Entered August 21, 2015.

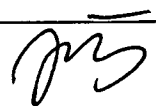
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SEND CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that I mailed a copy of this order to the Respondent(s) at his/her/its respective address, postage pre-paid, on the date stated herein.	Jacob T. Berkey
Signed	
Date	8/21/15

